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RAJYA SABHA

Facilities at IGRUA Rai Bareilly

*396. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA) Rai Bareilly is equipped with the most modern and sophisticated trainer aircraft etc. to impart training to pilots;
- (b) if so, the details of training curriculum and the number of pilots trained so far;
- (c) whether foreign pilots are also availing the training facilities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The training curriculum is as prescribed by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and consists of Ground Training and Flying Training. The Flying Training consists of 200 hours of flying. On successful completion of prescribed training requirements, the trainee have to clear the examination conducted by DGCA, to obtain commercial Pilots Licence (CPL). The duration of training is two years. A total of 476 pilots have been trained at this Akademi so far. At present there are 114 trainees at different stages of their training.
- (c) and (d) The Akademi has trained foreign pilots in the past. However, at present there is no foreigner under-training at the Akademi.

Implementation of river linking project

*397. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA:

SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Committee of Experts on the inter-linking of rivers has considered the recommendations of previous Task Force on the issue;
- (b) if so, whether the Committee has concurred with the views of the Task Force;